

VILLAGE OF PALMYRA BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Budget workshop & meeting      March 15, 1999      6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Trustees Celentano, Salomon, DeVogelaere and Gunkler, Treasurer Darlene Matteson, Roy McMaster, Karen Moon. Mayor Wilson attended the meeting by conference call. Minutes were recorded by Treasurer Darlene Matteson.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Deputy Mayor Celentano called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MINUTES:** Motion by Trustee Gunkler to approve the minutes from February 15. Second by Trustee DeVogelaere. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED. Motion by Trustee Gunkler to approve the minutes from March 1. Second by Trustee DeVogelaere. Vote, 3 ayes. Deputy Mayor Celentano abstained. CARRIED.

**ABSTRACT #10:** Motion by Trustee Gunkler to approve Abstract #10 for vouchers 880-969 for \$159,652.36. Second by Trustee DeVogelaere. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**TRUSTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Trustee Celentano congratulated the Village crews for the great clean work during the recent storm. We will be able to put in a claim to FEMA for a 48 hour-period worth of expenses. He also announced that the Mayor is traveling extensively for the next six weeks.

**CURRAN ROAD PROJECT:** The bids have been opened for the Curran Road water transmission line project. This is a joint project with the Town of Manchester. The low bid was submitted by Syracuse Contractors for \$1,733,000. The Village of Palmyra's portion of this project is \$413,000. This is well under the expected amount, due to the sharing of costs with the Town of Manchester. Motion by Trustee Salomon, second by Trustee Gunkler to participate in this joint project. 4 ayes. CARRIED.

**BUDGET WORKSHOP:** Roy McMaster presented the first look at the budget. All fund histories, capital reserves, the equipment listing and replacement planning guide were all reviewed as well as the tentative budget for each department. The necessary dollar size of cuts to meet the desired tax rate was determined in preparation for the second work session. Based on the initial budget requests from all the departments, the tax rate would be \$13.27/thousand which would be an increase of \$4.76 per thousand. In order to get down to the previous year's tax rate \$450,564 will need to be trimmed from the budget.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:** Irene Unterborn, Economic Development Committee asked the Board for financial support so that the committee can continue with the SpringFest. This year's festival is scheduled for June 12. A number of local musicians have an interest in participating but the committee will need funds to underwrite the costs associated with the advertising, sound system setup and the musician fees. The projected funds needed is \$1070.00. Irene also provided the Board with a proposed schedule for the SpringFest. In the past, the committee has been able to raise approximately \$200 during the festival; any money raised this year will be turned back to the Village. Trustee DeVogelaere suggested that they approach the Town Board for funding as well and report back to the Village Board by the next Board meeting. It was suggested that the committee check with the Police and Highway Departments for any hidden costs that may be incurred.

The Committee also shared their proposal which is being mailed out to business owners to replace the blue banners along Main Street. This endeavor will be self-supporting and will require no Village funds.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn by Trustee Gunkler. Second by Trustee DeVogelaere. Vote, 4 ayes. CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

